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SPEAKING APRIL 12 TO A RALLY IN TRIPOLI, AFTER STRESSING THAT
THE REVOLUTION WAS NOW STRONGER THAN EVER INTERNALLY,
QADAHFI SAID:

WE NOW CAN MAKE OUR STATEMENT ABOUT THE SINAI AGREEMENTS,
AND SAY THAT THEY ARE TREASON WHICH HAS NOT BEEN COMMITTED
EVEN BY KING ABDULLAH OR KING FAROUK. WE SAY THAT
WE TOOK A STAND WITH NATIONALIST FORCES IN LEBANON,
AND WE ANNOUNCE OUR READINESS TO STAND WITH THEM, AT
THEIR HEAD THE LEBANESE ARAB ARMY....WE SAY THAT
THE CALL OF THE EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT FOR INTERVENTION
IN LEBANON BY ARAB FORCES IS UTTERLY RIDICULOUS,
BECAUSE THE STRUGGLE IN LEBANON IS A REVOLUTIONARY
STRUGGLE BETWEEN NATIONALIST FORCES AND THE
ENEMIES OF THE LEBANESE PEOPLE. WE WILL STAND
WITH NATIONALIST FORCES IN LEBANON WITH ALL POWER
UNTIL THE STRUGGLE HAS BEEN RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF
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NATIONALIST FORCES. LIBYA, AND LIBYA'S

VOICE MUST BE STRONG IN THE ARAB NATIONAL FIELD,
REFUSES COMPLETELY THE CALL FOR INTERVENTION
IN LEBANON.... LIBYA REJECTS (THE IDEA) THAT THE
HEROIC LEBANESE ARAB ARMY SHOULD GIVE UP ITS WEAPONS.
IT MUST NOT BE ISOLATED IN FACE OF RIGHTIST FORCES.
LIBYA IS READY TO SUPPORT THE LEBANESE ARAB ARMY
AND NATIONALIST FORCES IN LEBANON SO THAT THE
CONFLICT IS RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF THE LEBANESE PEOPLE.
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